# Water Service Fee Adjustments for Yettem & Seville



#### **Proposition 218 Hearing**

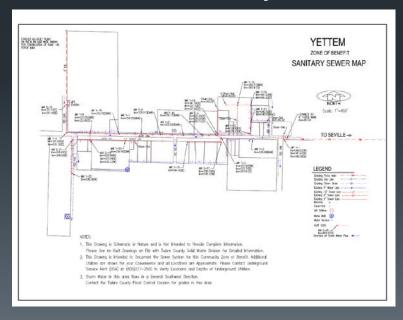
Presented by the Tulare County Resource Management Agency August 20, 2019

#### **Presentation Overview**

- Introductions
- Background Yettem
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- Yettem-Seville Water System Improvement Project
- Prop 218 Process
- Current Rates
- Proposed Rates
- Requests
- Questions/Comments

### Background – Yettem Water

- Owned and operated by the County
- Constructed in 1994
- Zone of Benefit County Service Area #1
- Current Connections: 65
- Also Served by Sewer





## Background - Seville Water

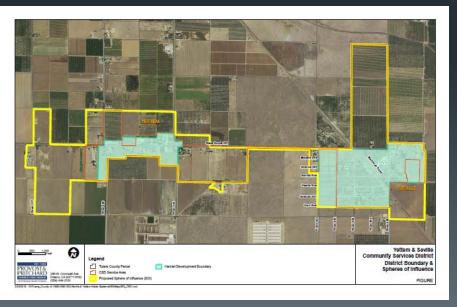
- County Operating as Court Appointed Receiver since 2009
- System under Boil Water Notice
- Replacement System under Construction
- Current Connections: 84
- Also Served by Sewer





### Yettem-Seville Water System Improvement Project

- Design Completed 2018
- Phase 1 Under Construction
- Phase 2 Application in Process
- Yettem-Seville Community Services District Conditionally Formed





### Prop 218 Process

- Notices Mailed¹
- Summary Notice Published<sup>2</sup>
- Hearing<sup>3</sup>

July 3

July 31 & Aug 7

August 20

- 1. Notices sent to all record owners of affected property and to all listed customers, if different. All notices included: location, time, and date of public hearing; instructions to protest rate increase; proposed rates; method for determining rates; and reason for fee/charge.
- 2. Publications required per County Ordinance.
- 3. Hearing must be held at least 45 days after noticing. Water rates may only be increased if valid protests are received for less than half of affected properties. Water rate increases do not require an election under Prop 218.

#### **Current Rates**

Location/Type of Connection	Rate (monthly)		
Seville*:			
Single Family Dwelling	\$	60.00	
Yettem*:			
Single Family Dwelling	\$	56.00	
School	\$	63.50	
Vacancy	\$	8.50	
Standby	\$	8.50	

<sup>\*</sup>Seville Rates established per court order

<sup>\*\*</sup>Yettem Rates established by Resolution 2012-0521

# Proposed Rates – Flat Rate

	FY 2019		FY 2020 2.5% Increase		FY 2021 2.5% Increase		FY 2022 2.5% Increase		FY 2023 2.5% Increase	
Single Family Dwelling	\$	75.05	\$	76.90	\$	78.85	\$	80.80	\$	82.80
School	\$	79.40	\$	81.40	\$	83.45	\$	85.50	\$	87.65
Vacancy	\$	10.65	\$	10.90	\$	11.15	\$	11.45	\$	11.75

#### Proposed Rates – Metered Rate

Base Fee	FY 2019		FY 2019 3.5% Increase		FY 2020 3.5% Increase		FY 2021 3.5% Increase		FY 2022 3.5% Increase	
Single Family Dwelling	\$	48.50	\$	50.20	\$	51.95	\$	53.75	\$	55.65
School	\$	51.30	\$	53.10	\$	54.95	\$	56.90	\$	58.90
Commercial 2" Meter	\$	145.50	\$	150.60	\$	155.85	\$	161.30	\$	166.95

Usage Rate: \$1.50 per 1,000 gallons

Metered rates to take effect when meters are installed.

Note: Usage rate will remain constant through the period.

#### Requests

- 1. Hold a public hearing for the consideration of water service fee adjustments for the Yettem Zone of Benefit Water System in County Service Area #1 and the Seville Water System for which the County is the court-appointed receiver and determine the official number of written protests received on proposed water service fee adjustments as shown in Exhibit A effective September 1, 2019; and
- 2. Close the Public Hearing and, if the number of valid protests is below 50% of the number of property owners, adopt the proposed service fee adjustments as shown in Exhibit A effective September 1, 2019.

# Questions, Comments, & Discussion